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Hideo ANDO et al.) Group Art Unit: 2616
Application No.: 09/659,583) Examiner: CHEVALIER, Robert
Filed: September 11, 2000)
For: SYSTEM FOR RECORDING) Confirmation No.: 4488
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IMAGE)

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Sir:

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the documents on the attached listing. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination in the above-referenced application.

Copies of the listed U.S. patents and the published U.S. patent applications are not enclosed.

Applicants also bring to the attention of the Examiner co-pending, U.S. Application No. 09/662,217, filed September 14, 2000, in the names of Hideo Ando et al., and entitled "Medium for Storing Audio/Image Information and Management System Thereof." A copy of the listed co-pending application is stored in the U.S. Patent and

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Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

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Respectfully submitted,

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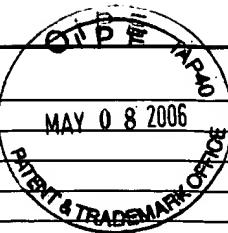
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